

Our Catholic Life

April 20, 2025



Holy Rosary Mission
519 Main Street
Sistersville, WV 26175



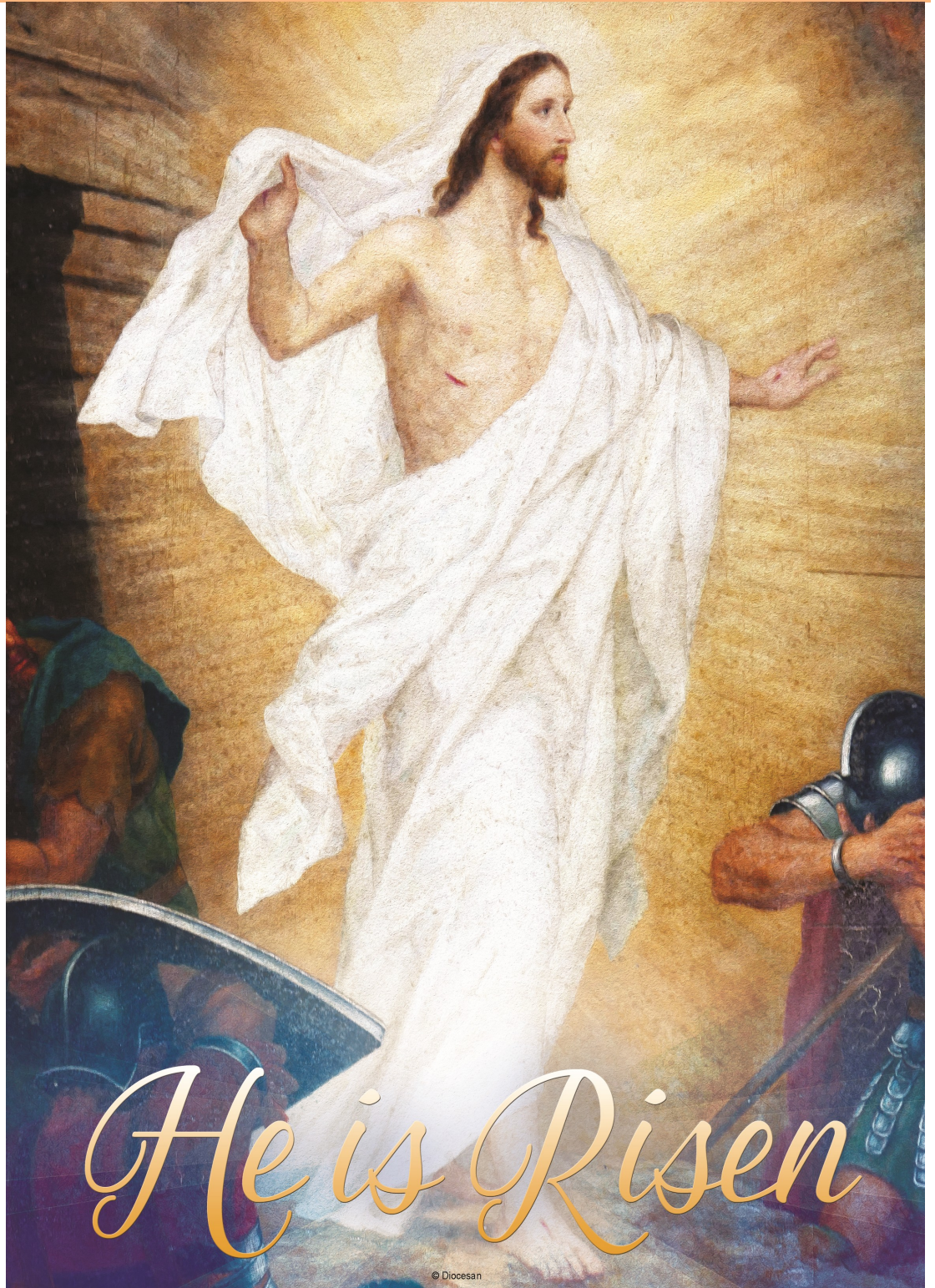
Mater Dolorosa Parish
302 East Main Street
Paden City, WV 26159



Saint Joseph Mission
64 Frohnafel Lane
Proctor, WV 26055



Saint Vincent de Paul Parish
21 Rosary Road
New Martinsville, WV 26155



Serving the Catholic Communities of Marshall, Wetzel and Tyler Counties
Cluster Office: (304) 455-4615

Easter Sunday

Sacramental & Pastoral Schedule for the First Week of Easter
20 April, 2025 — 26 April, 2025

Holy See's April Intention

Let us pray that the use of the new technologies will not replace human relationships, will respect the dignity of the person, and will help us face the crises of our times.

Sunday—The Resurrection of the Lord —20 April

Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20: 1-9

St. Joseph

8:00a Mass for +Ben & Nila Frohnapfel

Mater Dolorosa

10:30a Mass for + Gail Yeater

Holy Rosary

12:30p Mass for People of the Parishes

Monday —21 April

Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11; Mt 28:8-15

No Mass

Food Pantry Open @ SVdeP

Tuesday —22 April

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Acts 2:36-41; Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22; Jn 20:11-18

No Mass

Wednesday—23 April

Acts 3:1-10; Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9; Ps 118:24; Lk 24:13-35

No Mass

Thursday—24 April

Acts 3:11-26; Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9; Lk 24:35-48

No Mass

Friday—25 April

Acts 4:1-12; Ps 118:1-2 and 4, 22-24, 25-27a; Jn 21:1-14

No Mass

Saturday —26 April

Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21; Mk 16:9-15

No Mass

Sunday—Divine Mercy —27 April

Acts 5:12-16; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; Rev 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19; Jn 20:19-31

Mater Dolorosa Vigil Mass

4:00p Confessions

5:00p Mass for People of the Parish

St. Joseph

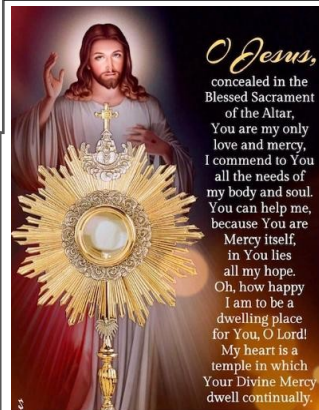
8:00a Mass +David Weigand

St. Vincent de Paul

10:30a Mass +Joe Freeland

Holy Rosay

12:30p Mass + Anne Sawyer



April is a time to deepen devotion to the Eucharist, the sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ, which Catholics believe is the real presence of Jesus.

To report an incidence of suspected child sexual abuse, please contact your local law enforcement agency, or you may confidentially contact WV Child Protective Services at 800.352.6513. In addition to civil authorities, to report suspected cases of sexual abuse by personnel of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to the Diocese, please contact the Diocese at 888.434.6237 or 304.233.0880. Please visit www.dwc.org under "Accountability" for additional information and reporting methods.

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Easter Sunday—Solemnity

Quote:

Exult, let them exult, the hosts of heaven, exult, let Angel ministers of God exult, let the trumpet of salvation sound aloud our mighty King's triumph! Be glad, let earth be glad, as glory floods her, ablaze with light from her eternal King, let all corners of the earth be glad, knowing an end to gloom and darkness. Rejoice, let Mother Church also rejoice, arrayed with the lightning of his glory, let this holy building shake with joy, filled with the mighty voices of the peoples...

~Excerpt from The Exsultet

Easter is the cause of all joy, fulfillment, and glory. If Jesus only died on the Cross, destroying death, something would be missing—the restoration of life into a glorified existence. Beyond the forgiveness of sins, Easter is about the temporal and eternal glorification of every soul that dies and rises with Christ. Is the Cross the difficult message and Easter the easy message ?

The Cross calls us to surrender our lives to the Father's will. We must be purified from every sin and attachment to sin, from every bad habit and worldly thought, and from everything that is not God and God alone. When we understand, with the saints, our calling to die with Christ and to embrace His Cross, the task might seem impossible.

New life in Christ, the fullness of joy, complete transformation, and eternal beatitude in Heaven appear easy to embrace. We can be sure, however, that our understanding of what it means to share in Christ's Resurrection is but a shadow of the reality. Few people have come close to understanding the glory to which the Resurrection calls us. Saints Francis of Assisi, Catherine of Siena, John of the Cross, and Thérèse of Lisieux are among those who penetrated the mystery of Easter while on earth. They did so by fully dying with Christ through lives of profound prayer, penance, and charity that completely united their souls to the Most Holy Trinity.

As we celebrate Easter, we must *know* that we *do not yet know* all that is promised to us by Christ's Resurrection. Our spiritual appetites should make us hungry for that knowledge. Too often, Christians go through life satisfied with a basic understanding of the Gospel. We know that God became man, taught, performed miracles, died on the Cross, rose, ascended into Heaven, and sent the Holy Spirit. We hope in His promise that if we remain in His grace, we will share in Heaven after we die. But this is far from what the saints comprehended and what we must seek.

How do we share in Christ's new life and in the glory of the Resurrection? What will Heaven be like for those who achieve the highest realms of glory in this life, compared to those who do the basics? What will the New Heavens and the New Earth be like when Jesus returns for the Final Judgment? If you have never deeply pondered these questions, know that glorious answers await you.

We can only comprehend the joy of sharing fully in Christ's Resurrection with God's direct infusion of grace. When a soul receives this infused knowledge, it realizes that committing even the smallest sin is foolishness and the path to utter loss. It realizes that gaining every earthly comfort and honor is miserable in comparison to sharing fully in the Resurrection. It realizes that the only worthwhile purpose is the abandonment of one's life to the will of God, a willingness to suffer anything and everything for Christ, to serve wholeheartedly, to forgive everyone completely, to love with every fiber of its being, and to remain in a state of prayerful recollection with God.

We can only understand the message and mystery of Easter if we begin the long and difficult journey toward divine union. Only those who begin it in haste have a chance of completing it. There is so much that God is calling you to and wants to give you. Don't aim for the lowly and passing things of life; aim for the highest heights of glory. Seek to understand the Resurrection, this Easter, so that you will be able to share more fully in the higher grades of glory that God wants to bestow upon you.

My Resurrected Lord, the glory to which You have called me is beyond my comprehension. In flame my soul with a desire to know You more, so as to share more fully in the glories of the Resurrection while here on earth and forever in Heaven. Jesus, I trust in You.

From the Desk of Father Joseph

Parish Membership—Welcome, new members, to Our Parishes. To register as a new or returning member of the parish, please contact the Parish Office at 304-455-4615. *Make sure to identify yourself as a new or returning member to Fr. Joseph before or after Mass.*

Baptism— For infant Baptism, please contact Father Joseph Abraham. Pre-Baptism sessions are normally required and will be arranged with Father Joseph.

Marriage—The couple must contact Father Joseph Abraham at least **six months** in advance to begin preparation requirements. *A date cannot be set until you have met with the priest.*

Sacrament of Reconciliation/Penance—Saturday, 4 to 5pm, Mater Dolorosa Church in Paden City; Tuesday through Thursday before evening Masses in Parish Cluster Churches; other times by appointment with Father Joseph.

Sick and Homebound Ministry—If you or a family member is sick, hospitalized, or homebound, please contact the Parish Cluster Office at 304-455-4615 to be placed on our Communion & Visitation list. *In an emergency or for the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, please contact Father Joseph at 304-435-9709.*

House Blessing—Anyone may request this blessing by reaching out to the Parish Cluster Office at 304-455-4615 to have this scheduled.

Fr. Joseph Abraham is available for you at any time of the day or night for spiritual assistance. If you need him, call 304-455-4615 or text (or call) his phone after office hours for emergencies only: 304-435-9709. For spiritual assistance, you may also contact Deacon Bill Klug by calling or texting 304-596-1337.



We have welcomed our new Office Manager, Miss Jennifer. Please drop in and introduce yourself to her.



Welcome Msgr. Sam

Msgr Sam will be with us the weekends of April 26, May 3, May 10, and May 17.

Please give him a warm and heart filled welcome home.

Dear Friends,

I would like to wish everyone a Happy Easter. I will be going home for my annual vacation and family emergency leave. During my absence, please contact Denise or Deacon Bill for any needs that might present themselves. See you when I return.

*Yours In Christ,
Father Joseph*



Every child deserves a **safe environment.**

"Heavenly Father, we lift up to you the children who have suffered abuse, their bodies, minds, and spirits scarred by pain. We pray for their healing, that they may find comfort and wholeness. Surround them with your loving presence, and grant them the strength to overcome the darkness they have endured. We ask for justice and accountability for those who have caused harm, and we pray that these children may find peace and a future filled with hope and love. Amen."

St. Vincent de Paul

April 13, 2025

Envelopes...2,513.00
Loose...\$477.00
Maintenance...\$215.00
Holy Land...\$32.00
Easter Flowers...\$135.00
Easter...\$152.00
Ash Wednesday..\$10.00

St. Joseph

April 13, 2025

Envelopes...\$730.00
Loose...\$100.00
Maintenance...\$0.00

Mater Dolorosa

April 13, 2025

Envelopes...\$695.00
Loose...\$15.00
Maintenance...\$5.00
Easter...\$50.00
Holy Land...\$40.00

Holy Rosary

April 13, 2025

Envelopes... \$785.00
Loose...\$26.00
Maintenance...\$260.00



Bill Abraham, Bernice and Ralph Baker,
Joan Block, Vickie Bowden, Nanci Bowen,
Dutton Chichick, Dominic Cipriani,
Kathy Hawkins-Clegg, Bill Cline,
Butch Cunningham, Michelle Cunningham,
Fr. Kent Durig, Gail Fagert, Rod Fagert,
Ray Ferrera, Joey & Lisa Feronti, Cecile Fiest,
Barbara Frum, Keith Frum, Jeff Fox, Jim Herrick,
Keith Herrick, Mike Hickman, Charlie Johnson,
Ted & Tommy Kacor, Dave King, Kay Klug,
Baby Koon, Jackie Laurine,
Brian and Joan Leary, Jim Melott,
John & Tulane Mensore, Jeri Miller,
Landon Miller, Patty Meyers, Baby Nash,
Bernadette Ortiz, Abdelia Hernandez-Perez,
Jim Richthammer, Bertha Schrader,
Austin Sizemore, Gary Slider, Mike Snyder,
Nancy Stender, Becky Sutton, Elsie Taylor,
Margie Rymer, Margie Whiteman,
Frances Whitmore, Ike Willey
All Shut-Ins

To add or remove names to the prayer list please
contact the Cluster Office 304-455-4615

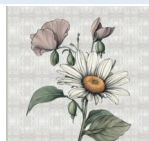
or email office@svdpm.org

Thank You



Happy Birthday

April



Clara Moore — Apr 1
Bonnie Hizer — Apr 1
Sean Quirk — April 2
Fred Emch — April 4
Mark Klug— April 5
Robert Amos — April 5
Deacon Bill Klug— April 5
Ben Nice — April 7
Gail Fagert — April 8
Kassie Frohnafel — April 10
Mark Miller— April 11
Mike Galluzzo — April 14

Barbara Tokas Klug— April 4
Gary Bowden — April 16
Scott Pekula — April 17
Patty Skeen — April 21
Bob Bowers — April 21
Bill Shepherd — April 22
Ralph Baker — April 22
Roger Rine — April 24
Kaitlyn Householder — April 25
Ted Kacor — April 26
Robyn Cecil — April 27
Allen Spencer — April 30



Happy Anniversary

John & Jodie Piekarski — April 7
Eric & Cindy Peters — April 29



Heavenly Father, lift them up to Your loving care. Bring healing and comfort to their body, mind, and spirit. Grant them strength and surround them with Your peace during this time.

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Ted Kacor is celebrating his 92nd birthday on April 26th if you would like to send him a birthday card the address is

Ted Kacor
Room 117
Mon General Drive
Morgantown, WV 26505

Volunteer at the Food Pantry !

April: 28, 29

May 6, 12, 13, 20, 27

June 2, 3, 9, 10, 16, 17, 23, 24, 30

Many Hands make Light Work!

Parish Council: (HN) Joe Herrick, John Piekarski, Patty Potts, Therese Schoolcraft, Don Tuttle, (LF) Marianne Balcerak, Pat Lilkendey

Finance Council: Matt Herrick, Judy Grace, Debra Freeland



Our next Third Thursday Lunch is Thursday, May 15. All help is welcome and greatly appreciated.

Our Next First Thursday Food Giveaway will be on May 1.

Volunteers gather after 8:30am Mass.
The distribution is 9:30—10:30am.



OUR LADY OF SEVEN SORROWS ROSARY

Saturdays @ 4:30p

Rosary and Pamphlets will be provided.



Rosary Leaders for April 26 @ 4:30 pm Barb Racer, Charlie Racer, Nanci Bowen



Ministers for April 20 @ 10:30 am

Lector: Kay Pierpoint

Gifts: Dick Stender

Eucharistic Minister: Ron Casto

Ministers for April 26 @ 5pm

Lector: Barbara Racer

Gifts: Chuck & Cecile Fiest

Eucharistic Minister: Judy Yeager

Parish Council: Rod Fagert, Carolyn Hizer, Charlie Racer, Dick Stender, Judy Yeager, Barb Racer

Finance Council: Rod Fagert, Kay Pierpoint, Charlie Racer, Dick Stender, Judy Yeager, Barb Racer

Holy Rosary and St. Joseph Missions

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Lector: 4/20/2025 Margie Rymer

Lector: 4/27/2025 Hayden Butler

Rice Bowl Containers are due today: Please place them in the basket in the vestibule. Thank You!

Easter Sunday: My brothers and sisters, today words fail before the task of expressing all that Easter means for us. It is our hope, our joy, our peace. It is our future; it alone gives meaning to the lives we live. Easter is our everything!

Family Prospective: Millions of Christians around the world celebrate the Resurrection today. It all began simply on the first Easter with one person telling another: "Mary told Peter and they believed." Faith is passed one person to another; it is caught, not taught and parents are the most effective persons to pass faith to their children. By Bud Ozar

ROSARY IS PRAYED EACH SUNDAY BEFORE 12:30 MASS.
DONNA PETER IS OUR LEADER.

Rice Bowl: Remember to bring your Rice Bowl containers on Easter Sunday. You can put them in a basket in the vestibule. Thank you!

Sunday Social Sign-Up Sheet is on the bulletin board. Please sign up if you plan to help with this.

He is Risen
He has risen, just as He said.

Extraordinary Ministers are needed at Holy Rosary. Please prayerfully consider becoming a Lector or Eucharistic Minister at Mass. Contact the Parochial Cluster Office.

Altar Guild Officers are needed in order to continue functioning. If anyone would like to be an officer in the Altar Guild, please let Patty, Charlene, Becky or Margie know.

Donations for the Food Pantry: Saltine Crackers, Graham Crackers, Chicken & Beef Broth, Diced Tomatoes. Please leave your donations in the baskets at the entrance of the Church. Thank You!!

Thank You to the ladies for donating cakes for the Sistersville Ministerial Association's Holy Week services, and to those who helped with the brass and church cleaning.



Coffee and Donuts
Today, May 11, 2025



St. Joseph
Women's Club
May 21 @ 11 am

Parish Council: Jim Cavezza, Butch Fiore, Charlene Galluzzo, Jerry Richardson, Patty Skeen
Finance Council: Cathy Cavezza, Mike Galluzzo, Becky Meckley, Eric Peters, Patty Skeen

Parish Council: Alana Fox, Abel Frohnapfel, Ken Janiszewski, Nancy McCardle
Finance Council: Clem Frohnapfel, Lee Ann Kirkland, Mark Miller